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The reply filed on August 14, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amendment fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.121, because the claims contain amendments that have not been identified in accordance with the provisions of the rule. An example of noncompliance can be found in claims 3, 4, and 5, where polyalkylene oxide has been improperly amended to alkylene oxide. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

As a result of applicants' amendment, the following issues have been noted: Within claims 3, 4, and 5, the language, "said at least one alkylene oxide", lacks antecedent basis and within claim 46, isocyanurate and biuret have been misspelled.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to R. Sergent at telephone number (703) 308-2982.

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